

SAODS - A Journal for Dentists to Increase Visibility of their Research

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Dentistry is a profession established on a strong scientific foundation. To progress and stay viable, creation of new knowledge is mandatory which must be made essential constituent of dental practice and education. The fundamental contrivance used to create new knowledge is research. Research is a creative work undertaken on a methodical basis in order to augment the existing knowledge and the use of this fresh knowledge to invent new applications. Research prevents the professionals from sleeping on their past achievements and glories and protects them from syncing into the depth of mediocrity.

It would be impossible to specify the many advances made by dental profession during the past few decades. Unlike past, with new discoveries, new medical disciplines and new methods, the entire program of dental education has been changed and now dentistry is poised to stand shoulder to shoulder with medical profession. During the last sixty years, the current research and technological discoveries within the profession of dentistry have led to dramatic changes and paradigm shifts in terms of clinical practice. Role of saliva as diagnostic tool for oral and systemic diseases has been lime lighted by the researchers and mankind is being benefitted. Implantology is continuously growing dental discipline saving the patients from the agony of using removable prostheses where previously it was inevitable to use. Root canal therapy was time consuming and painful procedure for the patients to undergo. But hard work of researchers has made it simple one-visit painless clinical procedure. Buonocore and Bowen's research work made it possible for dentists to use adhesive biomaterials which subsequently revolutionized the profession. Today, the patients having dental cavities don't have to bear unnecessary tooth cutting by the dentists' drill as current restoratives have adequate adhesive property. Discoveries in genetics, immunology, molecular biology, cell biology, material sciences and computer sciences will redesign the character and focus of dental practice and dental education. Vaccines against caries and periodontal disease, new anti-infectious agents, sophisticated simulation models, even genetic therapies are all likely to become visible in the near future.

"Publish or perish" is a common saying. The research of today may perish if there is no means for its dissemination. Seminars, symposia and conferences provide good forum for spread of fresh knowledge but scientific research requires a sound understanding of the literature review process. Literature review is the critical evaluation and synthesis of peer-reviewed published articles which only a scientific Journal can provide. Moreover, journals give immortality and international visibility to a research.

For publication of current research work, there is increasing demand from dental researchers and professional to introduce new and quality dental Journal. Keeping the requirement in mind, Scientific Archives of Dental Sciences (SAODS) is being introduced with the goal to facilitate the researchers by quick publications.

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